

IN THE DRAWINGS

Applicants submit herewith formal drawings to replace the informal drawings originally submitted with the application. Approval of the formal drawings is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the allowance of claims 33-46. All other claims (claims 1-32) have been canceled without prejudice to their underlying subject matter. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the canceled claims in this or any other application. Claims 33-46 remain pending in the application. Withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and objections is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Drawings

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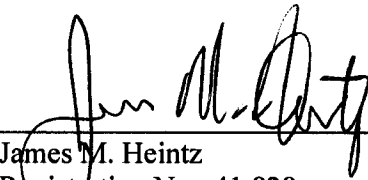
Claim Objections and Rejections

All claims other than claims 33-46 have been canceled, and claims 33-46 have been allowed. Accordingly, withdrawal of all pending claim objections and rejections is respectfully requested.

In light of the above, Applicants submit that this application is now in condition for allowance and therefore request favorable consideration. If any issues remain which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' counsel, James M. Heintz, at 202.861.4167.

Respectfully submitted,

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